CHAPTER 386—S.F.No.697

An act relating to education; textbooks; license to sell; failure to conform to agreement; failure to obtain a license; prescribing penalties; amending Minnesota Statutes 1971, Sections 126.16; and 127.22; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 126.17.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 126.16, is amended to read:

- 126.16 EDUCATION; TEXTBOOKS, LICENSE TO SELL. Before any person, company, or corporation shall offer any school textbook for adoption, sale, or exchange, in the state of Minnesota, the person, company, or corporation shall comply with the following conditions:
- (1) File a copy of such textbook in the office of the commissioner, with a sworn statement of the usual list price, the lowest wholesale price, and the lowest exchange price, based on five-year adoption periods, at which such textbook is sold, or exchanged for an old textbook in the same subject of like grade, and kind, but a different series, to any school board, school corporation, or school textbook commissioner anywhere in the United States;
- (2) File with the commissioner a written agreement (a) to furnish such textbook or books to any board at the lowest prices so filed, and to maintain such prices uniformly throughout the state; (b) to reduce such prices automatically in Minnesota whenever reductions are made elsewhere in the United States, and guarantee that at no time shall any such textbook so filed by the person, company, or corporation be sold in Minnesota at a higher price than is received for such textbook elsewhere in the United States; and (c) that all textbooks copies of a textbook offered for sale in Minnesota shall be equal in quality to those deposited in the office of the commissioner as regards paper, binding, print, illustrations, subject matter, and all points that may affect the value of the textbooks to any sample copy provided a school district;
- (3) File with the commissioner a surety bond of not less than \$2,000, and not more than \$10,000, in an amount to be fixed by the commissioner, conditioned upon the faithful performance of all contracts, agreements, and guaranties with the state of Minnesota and any school district within the state of Minnesota made by the person, company, or corporation. which The bond shall run to the state of Minnesota, and to any school district which may have a cause of action against the person, company, or corporation arising at any time after the bond is filed and before it is cancelled for

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breach of any contract, agreement, or guaranty made by the person, company, or corporation with the state or any school district. and The bond shall be approved by the attorney general.

Upon compliance with the foregoing conditions, the person, company, or corporation shall be licensed to sell school textbooks in the state of Minnesota.

- Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 127.22, is amended to read:
- 127.22 FAILURE TO OBTAIN LICENSE; PENALTY. Any publisher person, company, or corporation who shall sell or offer for sale or adoption in the state, school textbooks of any kind without first placing samples of the same on file with prices and obtaining a license therefor from the commissioner of education, shall be guilty of a gross misdemeanor; and, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not less than \$500, and not more than \$2,000.
- Sec. 3. <u>Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 126.17, is repealed.</u>
 Approved May 19, 1973.

CHAPTER 387-S.F.No.736

An act relating to elections; providing that certain officers in cities of the first class be elected with party designation; amending Minnesota Statutes 1971, Sections 202.09, Subdivision 1; and 205.17.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1971, Section 202.09, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

202.09 ELECTIONS; CITIES OF FIRST CLASS; PARTISAN BALLOTS; NOMINATING PETITIONS. Subdivision 1. NUMBER OF SIGNERS. A petition for nomination of a candidate may be signed by electors resident within the district or political division from which the candidate is presented, as follows:

(a) If for a state office on a state ticket, equal to one percent of the entire vote of the state cast at the last preceding general election, or 2,000, whichever is the lesser;

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